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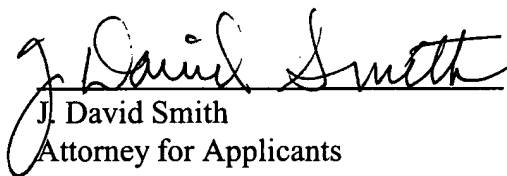
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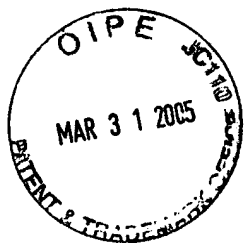
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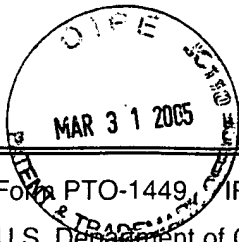
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	AA	WO99/36618	July 22, 1999	PCT			YES
	AB	19823740 A	Nov. 11, 1999	Germany			NO
	AC	373 276	June 20, 1990	EP			NO
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